

Affirmative action pioneer to speak here

Dr. Arthur A. Fletcher will lead two seminars on the Community Reinvestment Act and the Faith-Based Initiative, which is pending in Congress. A seminar today will be from 3 to 7 p.m. in a private home at 19159 Courtney Road in Hanover County.

Fletcher will speak tomorrow at 9 a.m. at Second Mount Zion Baptist Church in Dawn.

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For directions, call the Rev. Joseph Godfrey at 344-5444.

Faith-based initiative explained this weekend

Area ministers will get training this weekend on the Community Reinvestment Act and the faith-based initiative legislation soon to be debated in Congress.

Arthur A. Fletcher of Washington will be providing the training.

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The free events will be held from 3 to 7 p.m. Saturday. Contact the Rev. Joseph Godfrey, 804/344-5444, or Ernest Rollins, 804/944-5063 for the location and additional information. Training will also begin at 9 a.m. Sunday at Second Mount Zion Baptist Church in Dawn.

—Laura L. Hutchison